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DIV. OF OIL, GAS & MINING

State of Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining John R. Baza, Division Director 1594 West North Temple, Suite 1210 P.O. Box 145801 Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-5801

Re: Public Outreach for the Evaluation of Utah's Coal Regulatory Program and AMR Programs (Division of Oil, Gas and Mining & Federal Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement)

Dear Mr. Baza:

Thank you for the invitation to comment dated February 26, 2016, regarding the Office of Surface Mining (OSM) Regulation and Enforcement oversight process and the effectiveness of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM) program.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) appreciates the ongoing efforts to communicate openly at all levels and notes particularly the effectiveness of the monthly conference call for the "Interagency Coal Coordination Meeting." We suggest future evaluations expand the description of these effective interagency meetings.

If you have any questions, please contact Jeff McKenzie of my staff at (801) 539-4038.

Sincerely,

Roger Bankert

Chief, Branch of Minerals

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